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FOREST SERVICE RELEASES SECOND REPORT

PORTLAND, January 10--The Pacific Northwest Region of the U.S. Forest Service today released its second report to Congress in response to Section 318 of the FY 1990 Interior and Related Agencies Appropriation Act.

Section 318 of the Appropriations Act authorized the sale of 7.7 billion board feet of timber in 13 National Forests in the Pacific Northwest and established measures to be taken by the Forest Service to minimize the effects of timber harvests on spotted owl habitat and significant stands of old-growth forests.

The report updates Forest Service timber allocations for FY 1989-90 as well as the progress of citizen advisory boards, spotted owl litigation, and committee research and inventory efforts on spotted owl habitat requirements.

The law requires the Forest Service, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Bureau of Land Management to submit monthly reports to Congress on their progress in meeting the provisions of the law.

The report is available upon request.

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